IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

RANJIT NOTANI, ET AL. Examiner:

Serial No. 09/971,718 JAMIE H. SWARTZ

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For: FACILITATING THE NEGOTIATION Confirmation No.: 3043

OF STANDARDS FOR INTER-**ENTERPRISE COLLABORATION §** BETWEEN TRADING PARTNERS §

AMENDMENT

MAILSTOP: RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

A Final Office Action in the subject Application was mailed to the undersigned on 3 December 2009, which provides for a shortened statutory response period ending 3 March 2010. Applicants filed an Amendment After Final within two (2) months of the date of the Final Office Action. An Advisory Action was mailed on 23 February 2010. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is submitted electronically herewith. Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.